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39. (New) A makeup container, the container comprising:
a cover piece having a first interface, the first interface having a first
periphery; and
a base piece for holding a cosmetic substance, the base piece having a
second interface, the second interface having a second periphery corresponding to the
first periphery, wherein the first interface and the second interface provide a hermetic
seal when the cover piece is closed with respect to the base piece, wherein the seal
comprises a groove associated with one of the first interface or the second interface
and a peripheral rim associated with the other of the first interface or the second
interface;
a housing having a base coupled to a cover wherein the cover piece and
the base piece are configured to fit at least partially within the housing.

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40. (New) The makeup container of claim 39, wherein the groove is defined
by a peripheral wall and the peripheral edge of the peripheral rim being received
between the first periphery and the peripheral wall.

41. (New) The makeup container of claim 40, wherein the first periphery
includes a bulge.

42. (New) The makeup container of claim 41, wherein the first periphery and
the second periphery are circular.

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43. (New) The makeup container of claim 39, further comprising: an outer
body coupled about the cover piece and the base piece, wherein the outer body
includes a cavity, the cavity allowing expansion of the cover piece or the base piece.

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44. (New) The makeup container of claim 43, wherein the cavity is large
enough to allow expansion during loss-in-weight tests.

45. (New) The makeup container of claim 44, wherein the cover piece and
the base piece are integral and joined by a living hinge.

1 46. (New) The makeup container of claim 39, wherein the base of the
2 housing is hingeably coupled to the cover of the housing.

1 47. (New) The makeup container of claim 46, wherein the base piece and the
2 cover piece comprise an insert.

1 48. (New) The makeup container of claim 47, wherein the insert is
2 configured to fit within the housing in a snap fit arrangement.

1 49. (New) The makeup container of claim 47, wherein the rim is configured
2 to secure the insert at least partially within the housing.

1 50. (New) The makeup container of claim 49, wherein the rim is configured
2 to couple the insert at least partially within the housing in a snap fit arrangement.

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1 51. (New) The makeup container of claim 46, wherein at least one of the
2 base piece and the cover piece include an interface for selectively moving the base of
3 the housing relative to the cover of the housing.

1 52. (New) The makeup container of claim 46, wherein the housing comprises
2 a shell.

1 53. (New) The makeup container of claim 46, wherein the rim comprises an
2 overhang.

1 54. (New) The makeup container of claim 46, wherein the housing comprises
2 a container.

1 55. (New) The makeup container of claim 41, wherein the bulge is curved.

1 56. (New) The makeup container of claim 49, wherein the rim is curved.

1 57. (New) A compact for containing a cosmetic substance with an air-tight
2 seal, the compact comprising:
3 a first section; and
4 a second section, the first section engaging the second section to form
5 the air-tight seal, the air-tight seal maintaining the first section in a closed position with
6 respect to the second section;
7 a housing configured for retaining the first section and the second
8 section at least partially within the housing in a snap fit arrangement.

1 58. (New) The compact of claim 57, wherein the compact makes an audible
2 sound indicating the air-tight seal is established when the first section engages the
3 second section.

c' 1 59. (New) The compact of claim 58, wherein the first section has a first
2 circular cavity, the circular cavity having a first peripheral wall, wherein the second
3 section has a second peripheral wall, the second peripheral wall sliding between the
4 first peripheral wall and an edge of the first circular cavity to form the seal.

1 60. (New) The compact of claim 59, wherein the peripheral wall includes a
2 lip.

1 61. (New) The compact of claim 60, wherein the lip extends away from an
2 outside surface of a rim.

1 62. (New) The compact of claim 59, wherein the second section has a
2 second circular cavity for holding the cosmetic substance, the second circular cavity
3 being defined by the second peripheral wall.

1 63. (New) The compact of claim 57, wherein the housing comprises a shell.

1 64. (New) The compact of claim 57, wherein the lip is curved.

1 65. (New) The compact of claim 63, wherein the shell comprises a base and
2 a cover.

1 66. (New) The compact of claim 63, wherein the first section and the second
2 section comprise an insert.

1 67. (New) The compact of claim 66, wherein the insert is configured to fit at
2 least partially inside the shell.

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1 68. (New) The compact of claim 67, further comprising a hinge configured to
2 couple the base of the shell to the cover of the shell.

1 69. (New) The compact of claim 67, wherein the rim is configured to secure
2 the insert at least partially within the shell.

1 70. (New) The compact of claim 69, wherein the rim is configured to couple
2 the insert at least partially within the shell in the snap fit arrangement.

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1 71. (New) A makeup case for holding a cosmetic substance, the case
2 including a cover and a base, the cover being movable to an open position and to a
3 closed position, an improvement comprising:
4 a hermetic seal when the cover is in the closed position the seal
5 maintains the cover in the closed position;
6 an outer body configured for retaining the cover and the base within the
7 body.

1 72. (New) The makeup case of claim 71, wherein the seal comprises of a
2 groove associated with the cover and a peripheral rim associated with the base, the rim
3 being received in the groove when the cover is in the closed position.

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1 73. (New) The makeup case of claim 72, wherein the improvement makes an
2 audible sound when the cover is brought to the closed position.

1 74. (New) The makeup case of claim 73, wherein the improvement makes
2 another audible sound when the cover is brought to the open position from the closed
3 position.

1 75. (New) The makeup case of claim 72, wherein the groove includes a first
2 peripheral wall and an edge.

1 76. (New) The makeup case of claim 75, wherein the base is integral with
2 the cover.

1 77. (New) The makeup case of claim 76, wherein the first peripheral wall is
2 shorter than the edge.

1 78. (New) The makeup case of claim 71, wherein the outer body comprises a
2 container.

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2 shell.

1 80. (New) The makeup case of claim 79, wherein the base and cover
2 comprise an insert.

1 81. (New) The makeup case of claim 80, wherein the size of the base of the
2 insert corresponds to the size of the base of the shell.

1 82. (New) The makeup case of claim 81, wherein the insert is configured for
2 retention within the shell in a snap fit arrangement.

1 83. (New) The makeup case of claim 79, wherein the rim is configured to
2 secure the insert at least partially within the shell.

1 84. (New) The makeup case of claim 83, wherein the rim is configured to
2 couple the insert within the shell in a snap fit arrangement.

1 85. (New) A compact for storing makeup comprising:
2 a first platform coupled to a second platform and configured for selective
3 movement between a first position and a second position relative to the first platform;
4 a rim extending from the second platform;
5 a channel disposed between a first wall and a second wall of the first
6 platform and having at least three sealing surfaces;
7 wherein when the second platform is in the first position the rim is
8 received by the channel to provide a hermetic seal between the first platform and the
9 second platform at two of the sealing surfaces.

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1 86. (New) The compact of claim 85, wherein at least one of the sealing
2 surfaces comprises a planar wall.

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1 87. (New) The compact of claim 86, wherein the at least one sealing surface 103
2 comprises a bulge.

1 88. (New) The compact of claim 87, further comprising a housing configured
2 to receive the first platform and the second platform.

1 89. (New) The compact of claim 87, wherein the channel has a width less ✓
2 than the width of the rim.

1 90. (New) The compact of claim 87, wherein the rim comprises a curved ✓
2 terminal end.

1 91. (New) The compact of claim 87, wherein the bulge is curved. 103

1 ~~700E4~~ 92. (New) A container for storing cosmetics comprising:
2 base means for providing a base;
3 cover means for providing a cover selectively positionable between a first
4 position and a second position relative to the base means;
5 seal means for forming a hermetic seal between the cover means and the
6 base means;
7 wherein the hermetic seal is formed when the cover means is in the first
8 position.

C2 1 93. (New) The container of claim 92, wherein the seal means for forming the
2 hermetic seal comprises a curved rim extending from one of the cover means or the
3 base means and a groove configured for receiving the rim disposed between a first wall
4 and a second wall extending from one of the cover means or the base means.

1 94. (New) The container of claim 93, wherein the seal means comprises a
2 housing configured for retaining the base means and the cover means.

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2 insert.